

doing a great deal to civilize them. Before his second coronation in 1875 all natives who approached the king had to do so on all fours. They had to raise their hands in adoration to him and bump their heads on the mat before him. The king did away with all that, and he has introduced the American handshake into his reception of foreigners. He gives receptions to foreigners, and he never does this without foreigners have an audience with him. He has brought the telegraph and the telephone into Bangkok. He has introduced a street-car line, and lights his harem with electric lights.

The king of Siam is a Buddhist, and he was for some time a Buddhist priest, as is the custom with all men in Siam. Every one is expected at some time to enter the priesthood, and this royal monarch, with his millions of treasure, his scores of wives, and his \$10,000,000 a year, once shaved his head and nominally gave up his crown and his harem to wear a yellow cotton scarf about his waist and to fast and praying. The Siamese priests are picturesque, as well as devout. The priesthood is useful to married men. A man can be divorced whenever he likes by entering the priesthood for a month or so. Nobles do not require any such formality.

The great event in the life of Siam is the coronation of the king. This is sometimes a great event in the life of an American young man also. On the top of a Siamese baby's head is a certain amount of hair is preserved. All the rest of the head is shaved, but this lock is kept sacred until he reaches the age when he officially passes from boyhood to manhood. Then the crown is placed on his head. The crown is made of gold and is very beautiful. The crown is made of gold and is very beautiful. The crown is made of gold and is very beautiful.

The king of Siam has a very large assortment of wives, but he is so high and mighty that he must marry nobody beneath him in rank, his only equals being his own family. His regular official Queen must, therefore, always be his half-sister. The Queen is not far from twenty years of age; she rules the harem, and she is a very pretty Siamese girl. She has beautiful eyes, wears diamond earrings, and has a diamond pendant at her neck, and her fingers are covered with precious stones. She strikes her robes as does also the king, and she wears the betel nut, making her teeth as black as jet, and her lips stick out. The Siamese say that any doc who has white teeth, but that it is only those who are rich enough to afford the betel nut who can have black ones.

The debtor class of Siam afford a great contrast to all this opulence. They are stripped naked and chained to heavy logs; are compelled to work as slaves. The interest on money is so high in Siam that when a man goes into debt he is almost certainly going to be sold as a slave.

The temples and palaces of Siam are structures of complicated magnificence.

Witnesses in the courts are tortured in very ingenious ways. Certain classes are prohibited from testifying. They include drunks, gamblers, virgins, executioners, beggars and persons who cannot read. When they wish to have their skin from his head to his heels to make the blows effective.

The sacred white elephant, for which Siam is famous, if he dies is considered anything, has gone all to pieces. He is at present a many-legged, wild-eyed creature, with nothing white about him but his ears, which are large and leopards. The keepers are dirty, he is not bound with golden chains, and the only thing royal about him is his bad temper.

#### STANFORD'S SUCCESSOR.

Something of the California Who Will Step Into the Late Senator's Shoes.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 23.—Governor Markham settled the vexed question of the Senatorial succession by appointing to-day George C. Perkins as the successor of the late Leland Stanford in the United States Senate. Perkins is an ex-Governor of California and has filled many State offices. He was born in Maine in 1839. He came to a seafaring sea and at the age of twelve ran away to sea. He followed the sea till he came to California in 1849. He first worked as a miner, then as a country storekeeper, and by his shrewdness amassed a fortune. Then he came to Fresno and founded the firm of Good & Perkins, which for twenty years has controlled the coast passenger and freight traffic. Perkins is a strong Republican.

#### JOE JEFFERSON'S FATE.

Reported to Be Near Death's Door with a Cancer Eating Into His Neck.

NEW YORK, July 23.—The Press says: Joseph Jefferson, the veteran actor, is near death, and a cancerous affection of the neck is the cause of it. Mr. Jefferson's physicians have been so far badly baffled by his disease, which is attributed partly to an inherited tendency and partly to carelessness in the treatment of a boil that appeared near his cervical vertebrae some time ago.

#### ALMOST A COLLISION.

Ocean Liners Pass Within Fifty Yards of Each Other in the Ocean.

LONDON, July 23.—The passengers on board the Union Line steamer Arizona, Captain Brooks, from New York, which arrived at Queenstown to-day, report that vessel had a very narrow escape from a collision with an unknown Red Star Line steamer during a thick fog on the 17th inst. The latter steamer crossed the Arizona's bow not fifty yards distant. The captain of the Arizona's anxiety during the peril was marked by loud cheers from the passengers on both vessels when they had cleared each other.

#### MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

QUEENSTOWN, July 23.—Arrived: Ohio, from Philadelphia; Arizona, from New York.

NEW YORK, July 23.—Arrived: La Bretagne, from Havre.

HAVRE, July 23.—Arrived: La Champagne, from New York.

BOSTON, July 23.—Arrived: Scythia, from Liverpool.

#### GENERAL WEATHER BULLETIN.

Forecast for Monday.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—For Indiana—Fair; winds shifting to southeast; warmer in northern, slightly cooler in southern portions.

For Illinois—Fair; southerly winds; warmer in northeastern portion.

For Ohio—Fair; easterly winds; slightly warmer in northern portion.

#### LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 23.

Time. Bar. Ther. [W. H. Wind. Weather. Prec.

7 A.M. 29.97 76 58 West Clear. 0.00

8 A.M. 29.93 88 48 North Partly Cloudy 0.00

Maximum temperature, 94; minimum temperature, 71. The following is a comparative statement of the temperature and precipitation for July 23, 1933:

Normal..... 76 61.5

Mean..... 82 60.0

Departure from normal..... -6.5

Excess or deficiency since July 1..... -3.30

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Plus..... E. A. PADDOCK.

Observer, Weather Bureau.

The Bartender Was Too Presumptuous.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 23.—The third murder in Kansas City, Kan., within the last ten days, was committed this morning, when Charles Blank almost instantly killed William Blackford. The killing was the result of a quarrel over too much attention to Blank's wife. Blank is a saloon keeper, and Blackford had been employed by him as a barkeeper for the last six months.

Obituary.

VENTURA, Cal., July 23.—General William Vandever died at his residence in this city of heart disease this afternoon, aged seventy-six.

## THE MILLER CHILD FOUND

His Mother Slips Down to Kokomo from Chicago and Carries It Away.

Awards to the Indiana Butter Makers Exhibiting at the World's Fair During July—Another Prize Fight Near Muncie.

#### RECOVERED HER CHILD.

Mrs. E. C. Miller, of Chicago, Finds Her Abducted Boy at Kokomo.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

KOKOMO, Ind., July 23.—Yesterday Mrs. E. C. Miller, of Chicago, residing at Englewood, came here and took possession of her five-year-old boy, who had been abducted six months ago, finding the youngster at the home of Mrs. Christian Wilhelm, at Kokomo.

Last winter Mrs. Wilhelm, who is a Chicago housewife, was employed by a company for the death of her son by a snuffbox, became acquainted with E. C. Miller, and he persuaded her to bring his little boy home with her. Miller and his wife separated seventeen months ago, and he took the child by force, since which time the mother sought in vain to find him. She had traced him from place to place, but did not succeed in regaining possession until yesterday, when she found him here. The mother and child were a touching scene. To avoid a sensation in meeting her husband, who was on the way here to prevent the occurrence, Mrs. Miller was driven to a small station several miles away, by an unrequited road, and took a night train for Chicago, where she now is with her long-lost child.

#### HIGHEST GRADES ON THE HONORABLE ARTICLE EXHIBITS DURING JULY.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WORLD'S FAIR GROUND, CHICAGO, July 23.—The awards for competitive butter exhibits during the month of July have been made and the grades furnished by Mrs. Laura D. Worley, superintendent of the dairy exhibit for Indiana, are as follows:

#### CREAMERY.

Class 4—Separated Cream.

Robert McBeth, Fairland.....97

Winning Dairy.....95

Oak Grove.....95

Lowell.....94

Indiana.....94

Rensselaer.....89

Lowell.....79

Class 5—Gathered Cream.

Rushville.....85

Dairy.

Mrs. Caroline Edgerton, Spiceland.....92

Mrs. J. C. Gley, Thornton.....90

Purdue University, Lafayette.....89

Mrs. Sarah Edgerton, Spiceland.....87

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Gray and the Indianapolis Danbury. The Shelbyville team won after a hard game, a score of 21 to 10. The Danbury team to the fourth inning were in the lead, but had fielding on their part brought in runs for their opponents in the last of the fourth, and the close of the game. The Danbury had 10 and Shelbyville 9. These teams played a game here a few weeks ago with the score reversed.

Alexandria 4; Muncie 3.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MUNCIE, Ind., July 23.—The finest game of ball ever seen in Muncie was played at the Athletic Park this afternoon between the Alexandria and Muncie teams. Score:

Muncie.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1-1 3

Alexandria.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1-1 4

Batteries—Muncie, Gore and Ruppert; Alexandria, O'Connor and O'Connor.

Struck out—By Gore, 19; O'Connor, 7. Umpire, Williams, of Anderson.

Battle Creek, 16; Fort Wayne, 3.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., July 23.—The baseball game at Lakeside Park, this afternoon, resulted as follows:

Battle Creek.....7 0 0 3 1 2 1 1-16

Fort Wayne.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1-3

Batteries—Battle Creek, 16; Fort Wayne, 3.

Errors—Fort Wayne, 10; Battle Creek, 4.

Caused by Children Playing with Matches.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

PERRY, Ind., July 23.—Fire this evening destroyed four barns, a large blacksmith shop, besides partially burning a number of residences and smaller buildings. Loss, \$5,000, with insurance of \$1,500. The fire was caused, probably, by children playing with matches.

Mrs. Margaret Smith, widow of the late Capt. J. W. Smith, of Seymour, died in that city yesterday after a lingering illness of nineteen months. She was highly respected and was in her sixtieth year.

The programme for the annual Methodist camp meeting at Battle Ground has been issued. The meetings open Aug. 19 and run to Aug. 27. The Rev. S. A. Koon, D. D., of Delaware, Ohio, will be in charge of the meeting from Aug. 19 to 27. Evangelistic service every night of the meeting.

FIRE PANIC AVERTED.

Blast in the Basement of a Chicago Theater Caused a Dismissal of the Audience.

CHICAGO, July 23.—To-night, as the curtain was rung up for "The Girl Left Behind Me," at the Schiller Theater, it was noticed that the house was filled with smoke.

A few moments later the audience left the theater in an orderly manner at the request of the management, and it then became known that a fire had broken out in the basement cafe. Before any considerable damage was done the fire was extinguished. The cause of the fire was not known, but there was no panic, the presence of mind of the management having checked any demonstration whatever.

Early Blast in the Palmer House.

CHICAGO, July 23.—A panic was narrowly averted in the Palmer House about 6:30 o'clock this morning by a slow fire in the hotel laundry in the basement. Great volumes of smoke from the wet clothes which were in the dry rooms filled the halls and corridors, and the guests, who were, however, quiet by the assurance of the employees who had been sent to notify them that there was no danger as the fire was under control. The loss will not exceed \$2,000.

PAULING, O., July 23.—Fire at an early hour this morning burned one whole block of the town and part of another. Among the buildings and business enterprises destroyed were the Pauling Drug Store, a saloon, livey stables and residences. The loss exceeds \$200,000.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., July 23.—At 11 A. M. today fire broke out in the stable of Jones & South. Their wholesale store was completely destroyed, together with the adjoining houses of John Emmer and J. S. Wicks. The loss is estimated at \$125,000, of which Jones & South lost \$100,000.

MURDERED FOR A JEWESS.

Wealthy Ben Levinson Shot Down by Dave Laser for Insulting His Sister.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., July 23.—Ben Levinson, president of the Levinson-Freidheim Company, wholesale liquor and tobacco dealers, was shot and instantly killed at 7 o'clock this evening by Dave Laser, a former employee of the company.

Ben Levinson was standing in the rear part of his store, when Laser entered from the back door. Without uttering a word, he leveled a double-barrel shotgun and emptied the contents into his victim's body. The first shot entered the left shoulder, and passed through the heart. The second shot passed through the right thigh, and found a lodging place in the door. As soon as he had emptied his gun, Laser walked to the front door, where he was placed under arrest. A pistol was also found in his possession.

News of the tragedy reached the city, and for several hours the most intense excitement prevailed. The shooting occurred in the center of the business portion of the city. Threats of lynching were heard on all sides. Only two persons were in the store at the time the shooting occurred. Laser, when seen at the jail today, was in a dazed condition. He says he leveled his gun at Levinson because he insulted his sister, Mrs. Leo Thalheimer, of New York, now on a visit here. He claims Levinson sent his sister two bad notes recently, and he was going to avenge the insult.

The murdered man was the father of a large family. His life was connected with the best Jewish families of the South. Laser is also a married man, and has been traveling for J. Tiger & Co., of Chicago. The brother of Laser, who accompanied him to the store, was arrested late to-night as an accomplice.

BIG TRUST COMPANY FAILS.

One of the Heaviest Institutions of Its Kind in New Hampshire Goes Up.

MANCHESTER, N. H., July 23.—Late Saturday evening Bank Commissioner James C. Lyford served the papers closing the doors of the New Hampshire Trust Company, of this city, one of the heaviest institutions of the kind in the State. This action was taken after full consultation with the officers of the institution and for the protection of its depositors and creditors. The proceedings are similar to those pursued in the case of the Security Trust Company of Cincinnati, with the exception that the suspension of business will be temporary. The company has a paid-in capital of \$500,000.

Foster's Brass Works Statement.

TOLEDO, Ohio, July 23.—A statement has been made by the assignee of the Foster's brass and iron works, one of ex-Secretary Foster's enterprises, which went under in the recent crash. The statement places the assets at \$147,094 and the liabilities at \$191,500, a much better showing than was expected.

Other Failures.

DENVER, July 23.—At the request of the General Electric Company, Judge H. H. of the United States Court, yesterday appointed H. E. Chubbuck, of Pueblo, receiver of the Pueblo City Street-Railway Company and the International Trust Company. The liabilities are \$700,000.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—The statement made public yesterday that the First National Bank of the City of New York had failed, proves to be erroneous. The First National Bank of Russell, Kan., has failed.

SALT LAKE, U. T., July 23.—The Borton Gardner Wholesale Lumber and Wire Fence Company has assigned. Liabilities, \$50,000; assets, \$15,000.

## CHARGES AGAINST RAMSEY

Three Chief Officers of the Railroad Telegraphers' Union in Trouble.

Situation at Wier City More Exciting, and Walters, Leader of the Striking Miners, Makes a Speech Advocating Violence.

#### SCANDAL IN THE UNION.

Grave Charges Against Officers of the Railroad Telegraphers' Organization.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

OMAHA, July 23.—One of the most profound sensations in national labor circles, and one which will directly or indirectly affect every railway telegrapher in the country, came to light to-day in the disclosure of the fact that Omaha Division of the Order of Railway Telegraphers has filed charges to impeach Chief Officer G. Ramsey, Grand Editor A. D. Thurston and Grand Executive Committee member George Floegel. The charges in effect are that the division, having sent a member, Carl Smith, to the headquarters to inquire into the situation, only rumors having been circulated at the last convention at Toronto, the result of the inquiry was that charges were filed by Grand Executive Committee member C. F. Roche, of Chicago, on complaint of Omaha Division, the charges comprising thirty-six separate specifications and running all the way, on the part of Ramsey, Thurston and Floegel, to dishonesty to induction, and taking in all sorts of offenses.

The order was instituted eight years ago at Cedar Rapids, by A. D. Thurston as a non-striking organization. For six years its growth was steady until it numbered nearly 25,000 members, when it blossomed into a union with 100,000 members. As grand chief and Ramsey, then an East St. Louis (Ill.) lawyer, as assistant grand chief. A few months afterward Thurston was elected to the position of grand chief, of which Ramsey was chairman, editor of the order's paper, and Ramsey succeeded to the grand chiefship, and at the next convention held in Chicago in 1927, Ramsey was elected grand chief, and Ramsey was elected grand chief, and Ramsey was elected grand chief.

A special tax had been ordered for a strike fund, the understanding being that so soon as the strike was over, the tax should be canceled. It came dangerously near reaching this figure several times, for the order numbers nearly 15,000 operators, but the grand chief, who was quick to seize the occasion, and of all the money paid into this fund last year at Toronto, but \$2,000.41 was shown to be on hand. The B. & O. N. strike, \$11,476.89, and the Gulf troubles \$1,075.51.

Toronto Ramsey and Thurston were re-elected, but the Omaha Division was not satisfied, and it started in to fight the two leaders. One of the chief leaders in Omaha was engaged, and to-day it was learned that the charges had been carried to the grand executive committee.

LOOK OUT FOR TROUBLE HERE.

Kansas Miners Have Made Up Their Minds to Win at Any Cost.

WEIR CITY, Kan., July 23.—Sunday passed quietly in this mining district. The miners' strike is still on, and the miners kept strictly out of the way of the strikers. The mine owners have decided not to accept the protection of deputy sheriffs offered by Sheriff Arnold. They say the deputy sheriffs are all appointed from the ranks of the strikers and their sympathizers, and that the protection they afford would not meet the occasion. The owners are arming all their men, and the latter are under orders to guard their lives and the properties on which they are at work at all hazards. The sensation of the day is the speech made last night by President Walters, of the United Mine Workers' Western Association. He had just